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"I am writing to provide comments to the FCC on the E-Rate NPRM, proceeding 13-184. E-Rate has been very important to Medina Valley ISD because it has helped our teachers gain access to a wealth of online resources, communicate and collaborate, and develop the 21st century skills necessary for college and career. We have just this year been able to provide wireless access to teachers and administrators. We have not even begun to provide internet access to students nor have we been able to provide a sufficient level of access to devices.

However, E-Rate funding levels have not kept pace with my district's current bandwidth needs. I urge you to raise the E-Rate funding level to at least \$5 billion per year, which is close to the average demand level for each of the past two years."